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Truth in Caller ID Act of 2009)	

The problem of bad actors using spoofed caller identification information is pervasive. On average I receive at least one illegal telemarketing call in violation of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act every week, and virtually all of them have caller identification numbers that are deliberately spoofed in order to obscure the identity of the caller.

I believe that the proposed rules by the FCC will help the States and the Federal government in their efforts to prevent the fraudulent use of spoofed caller identification information. Unfortunately, I do not believe that their efforts alone will stem the tide of this pervasive practice.

I believe that the only way to prevent bad actors from spoofing their caller identification information is with a technological solution. The technological solution must make it possible for consumers and law enforcement agencies to be able to easily identify the telecommunications carrier that the call originated from in a way that is completely independent from the caller identification number that is associated with the call. This technological solution is needed because if the caller identification number was spoofed, then it will be impossible to identify the caller by using the spoofed caller identification number. But if all calls identify the telecommunications carrier that the call originated from, then it would be possible to go to that telecommunications carrier to find out who originated the call in question with the spoofed caller identification information.